## COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

## U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WASHINGTON, DC 20515

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Steven Miller
Acting Commissioner
Internal Revenue Service
1111 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20224

## Dear Acting Commissioner Miller:

I am writing to inquire about the allocation of Internal Revenue Service (IRS or Agency) resources to implement the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (P.L. 111-148) and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act (P.L. 111-152) (collectively the "ACA"). Last year, I wrote concerning the Agency's use of taxpayer dollars to implement the law. I am writing now to request an update. No later than April 3, 2013, please provide the following information:

- 1. In written answers to questions for the record, then Treasury Secretary nominee Jacob Lew stated that the IRS has "just under 700 full-time equivalent staff" working on ACA implementation. Have any agencies made unreimbursed detailees available to the IRS or otherwise loaned employees to assist with implementation? If so, how many and from which agencies? How many staff were hired by the IRS for ACA implementation?
- 2. Of those staff and detailees, if any, working on ACA implementation provide information on the divisions, offices, and issue areas on which they are working. For staff re-assigned to ACA implementation duties, provide information of how many and from which divisions, offices and/or issue areas they were reassigned.
- 3. Mr. Lew stated that the IRS has spent \$488 million of the \$1 billion available in the Health Insurance Reform Implementation Fund (HIRIF), and that "no additional appropriated funding has been provided" to the IRS for ACA implementation. Is the \$488 million HIRIF balance current as of receipt of this letter? Since enactment of the ACA, how much money, in total, has the IRS received from the Department of Health and Human Services for the purpose of ACA implementation (from HIRIF or other funds)? Provide details on how these funds were used.
- 4. How much money, and how many Full-Time Equivalents, does IRS anticipate needing to implement and administer the ACA over the next ten years?

Thank you in advance for providing this information. If you have any questions, please contact Chris Armstrong with the Ways and Means staff at (202) 225-5522.

Sincerely,

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Chairman

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